

Administration, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Secretary of Transportation, and the Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel established under section 12407 of this title in carrying out his authorities pursuant to this chapter.

(Pub. L. 101-566, §107, Nov. 15, 1990, 104 Stat. 2800.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, the first time appearing in subsec. (a)(2), was in the original “this title”, and was translated as reading “this Act” meaning Pub. L. 101-566, to reflect the probable intent of Congress, because Pub. L. 101-566 is not divided into titles.

§ 12407. Technical panel

(a) Establishment

There is hereby established the Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel (the “technical panel”), to advise the Secretary on the programs under this chapter.

(b) Membership

The technical panel shall be appointed by the Secretary and shall be comprised of such representatives from domestic industry, universities, professional societies, Government laboratories, financial, environmental, and other organizations as the Secretary deems appropriate based on his assessment of the technical and other qualifications of such representatives. Appointments to the technical panel shall be made within 90 days after November 15, 1990. The technical panel shall have a chairman, who shall be elected by the members from among their number.

(c) Cooperation

The heads of the departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Executive branch of the Federal Government shall cooperate with the technical panel in carrying out the requirements of this section and shall furnish to the technical panel such information as the technical panel deems necessary to carry out this section.

(d) Review

The technical panel shall review and make any necessary recommendations to the Secretary on the following items—

- (1) the implementation and conduct of programs under this chapter; and
- (2) the economic, technological, and environmental consequences of the deployment of hydrogen production and use systems.

(e) Support

The Secretary shall provide such staff, funds and other support as may be necessary to enable the technical panel to carry out the functions described in this section.

(Pub. L. 101-566, §108, Nov. 15, 1990, 104 Stat. 2800; Pub. L. 104-271, title I, §102(b), Oct. 9, 1996, 110 Stat. 3305.)

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (d)(3). Pub. L. 104-271 struck out par. (3) which read as follows: “comments on and recommendations for improvements in the comprehensive 5-year program management plan required under section 12402 of this title.”

TERMINATION OF ADVISORY PANELS

Advisory panels established after Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period beginning on the date of their establishment, unless, in the case of a panel established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such panel is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a panel established by Congress, its duration is otherwise provided for by law. See sections 3(2) and 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 12408. Authorization of appropriations

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to carry out the purposes of this chapter (in addition to any amounts made available for such purposes under other Acts)—

- (1) \$3,000,000 for the fiscal year 1992;
- (2) \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year 1993;
- (3) \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year 1994;
- (4) \$14,500,000 for fiscal year 1996;
- (5) \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 1997;
- (6) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 1998;
- (7) \$30,000,000 for fiscal year 1999;
- (8) \$35,000,000 for fiscal year 2000; and
- (9) \$40,000,000 for fiscal year 2001.

(Pub. L. 101-566, §109, Nov. 15, 1990, 104 Stat. 2801; Pub. L. 104-271, title I, §106, Oct. 9, 1996, 110 Stat. 3306.)

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1996—Pub. L. 104-271 substituted “under other Acts” for “to other Acts” in introductory provisions and added pars. (4) to (9).

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The Congress finds the following:

(1) Throughout the United States, there are pressing unmet human, educational, environmental, and public safety needs.

(2) Americans desire to affirm common responsibilities and shared values, and join together in positive experiences, that transcend race, religion, gender, age, disability, region, income, and education.

(3) The rising costs of postsecondary education are putting higher education out of reach for an increasing number of citizens.

(4) Americans of all ages can improve their communities and become better citizens through service to the United States.

(5) Nonprofit organizations, local governments, States, and the Federal Government